GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1728
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SHORTFALL OF BUTANE
HARIBHAU MAHALE

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of `Butane` in the country ;

(b) whether the Government propose to sign an agreement with Quatar and other countries to fulfil the shortfall of `Butane` ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : During the year 2001-2002, Public Sector OilCompanies have produced about 4,506 Thousand Metric Tonnes (TMT) of LPG (Propane + Butane).

(b) & (c) : Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) has entered into term contract with M/s. Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) an M/s. ADNOC, Abu Dhabi, for supply of LPG (Butane) to meet the shortfall of LPG in country. However, at present, there is no plan to sign any agreement with Qatar for LPG (Butane) imports.